

Remarks

Claims 1 – 66 remain in the application. Claims 22 and 35 are currently amended. Claims 40 – 54 have been previously withdrawn. Paragraphs 9, 42, and 46 are also amended.

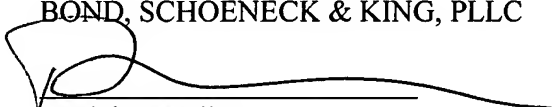
The applicants have been informed that the term WIRE-NUT is a registered trademark. Although the applicants do not explicitly employ the trademark WIRE-NUT in the specification and claims, the present amendment changes the term “wire nut” used in paragraph 9, and the term “wire-nut” (lower case) employed in paragraph 42 and paragraph 46, and claims 22 and 35 to a more generic term, “twist-on wire connector.”

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